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Rhonda Selleck

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For: FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PRESERVATIVE

AMENDMENT

MS Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 21, 2003, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel claims 1-10 and add claims 11-20 as follows:

11. (New) A process of extending the useful shelf life of peeled and cut fruits and vegetables comprising the steps of:

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forming an aqueous solution which contains a flavonoid derived from the seeds, fruit or bark of plants in association with (a) 50 to 150 times its weight of a food grade antioxidant; and

dipping, spraying or coating cut or peeled fruits and vegetables with the solution.

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